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House of Cards Season Two is Now Available

(Bel Air, MD) - - *House of Cards (HOC)* Season Two airs on Netflix. Most of the filming and production of *HOC* occurs in the Harford County area. Knight Takes King Productions leased an additional 91,850 square feet in Joppa in December 2013, bringing their total leased space in Harford County to 190,000 square feet.

Season One production directly purchased or rented goods or services from over 300 Harford County businesses and 1,814 Maryland businesses statewide. This does not count any personal money spent in the County by cast and crew. The production employed 2,198 Marylanders as cast, extras and crew. The production also utilized over 4,600 room nights with hotels in the county during its first season. The Maryland Film Office reports an economic impact to Maryland of \$138 million.

Jim Richardson, Director of Economic Development for Harford County stated, "We are all excited to watch Season Two. Eileen Frado, Senior Business Development Associate, from our office regularly assists the production crew in securing locations and other necessities for their filming needs. Many Harford County businesses have benefitted from the economic impact of this production. It's also interesting to watch for local people we know in the background of a scene with Kevin Spacey or Golden Globe Award Winner Robin Wright."

During Season Two of the production, crews directly purchased or rented goods or services from 276 Harford County businesses. This does not count the indirect purchases at Harford County stores, restaurants and bars by cast and crew. Some of the local companies who have benefitted from *House of Cards* include: Arrow Electrical Supply, Beavers Auto Body Repair, Bel Air Sew and Vac, Bicycle Connection, Chesaco RV, Clarks Show Repair, Edgewood Thrift, FN Smith Hardware, Harford Rental Service, Joe's Watch Repair, Jones Family Farm, The Mill of Bel Air, Tractor Supply Company, Wirtz and Daughters Garden Center.

According to the *Baltimore Sun*, Kevin Spacey, the star and executive producer of the *House of Cards* has confirmed that he will return when the Netflix series starts filming its third season in the Harford County and Baltimore area.

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